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to be known by all as the very best grocer in Keytesville. I want to please in every way each customer who buys of me. I want people to believe in all of my advertisements. I make some pretty bold assertions but they are carefully made. For instance, I say openly and aboveboard that Blake's Coffee is by long odds the best coffee sold in this town. I have been saying so for a long time and nobody has proved to the contrary. If you use it you know it's the best. If you don't you are missing a rare treat every day.

Things for Sunday Dinner

You will be more thankful and happier and healthier if you get your cranberries, celery, mince meat, oranges, nuts, fruit, peas, corn and table delicacies of all kinds from me for your Sunday dinner. I sell what is clean, sweet and pure. You can count on paying just what a thing is worth—not a penny more—if you patronize me.

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The following friends have shown their appreciation of the COURIER by either becoming new subscribers or by renewing their subscription since our last issue. May heaven bless 'em:

NEW SUBSCRIBERS.

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Rev. W. J. Farvin, Eld. M. Lewellen,
E. E. Starrett, Henry Mason.

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J. N. Gaines, W. G. Borum,
W. R. Leonard, Mrs. M. J. Dempsey,
Geo. W. Border, J. W. Miller,
Geo. R. Layher, L. O. White,
W. L. Hamilton, E. O. Stephens,
Dr. W. B. Lucas, Wm. Redding.

To Correspondents:

We regret that some of the COURIER's correspondents are negligent about mailing their items on time. Last week we received five communications Thursday, which is press day, and one of them did not arrive until 3 o'clock in the afternoon, hence was too late for publication the week for which it was intended. With so much other work to do Thursday it is next to impossible to do that and get our correspondence in type so as to get to press at the desired hour. We trust that in the future all who are corresponding for the COURIER will see that their items are mailed regularly and so as to reach us never later than Wednesday afternoon. We greatly appreciate the faithful services our correspondents are rendering us, and we are always glad to hear from them, but we want them to be on time and regular.

Seed Sweet Potatoes.

Yellow and Red Jersey seed sweet potatoes. Have your orders booked now. We will hold the potatoes until you are ready for them. Send postal for our catalogue of A No. 1 garden seeds, berry, vegetable and greenhouse plants, grape vines, etc.

Address, SCHNELL'S GARDEN, Glasgow, Mo.

More New Suits

The following new suits, in addition to nine others already published in the COURIER, have been docketed for the next May term of circuit court at Keytesville:

CIVIL CASES.

Morganza Griffen et al vs. Albert Griffen et al, partition. Bencke & Bencke of Brunswick are the attorneys for plaintiffs.

Martha Trainer vs. Wm. E. Trainer, divorce. Plaintiff states in her petition that she was lawfully married to defendant at Keytesville, Chariton county, Mo., the day of October, 1900, and that they continued to live together as man and wife until July 4, 1904, when defendant abandoned plaintiff and has ever since that date absented himself from plaintiff without any reasonable cause or excuse whatever; that plaintiff does not know nor has she known defendant's place of residence since he abandoned her; that defendant has no directly or indirectly contributed anything to the support or maintenance of plaintiff since he abandoned her. Plaintiff states further that there were no children born of said marriage, and that defendant has no property of which she has any knowledge, and that she is wholly dependent on her own labor for her support and maintenance. Wherefore, plaintiff prays to be divorced from the bonds of matrimony contracted as aforesaid, and that the court make such other and further orders and judgments touching the premises as the court shall deem meet and just. Judge O. F. Smith of Keytesville is plaintiff's legal adviser.

CRIMINAL CASES

State of Missouri vs. W. H. Wampler, incest. The defendant's own daughter, Jessie Lee Wampler, aged 14, is the prosecuting witness. Mr. Wampler is a resident of Yellow Creek township. He has not yet employed a lawyer to defend him.

Local Option Speaking.

ECCLES, MARCH 4.

Rev. Franc. Mitchell, J. D. Cunningham.

BETHANY, MARCH 4.

O. F. Smith, J. L. Stacy, Rev. O. H. Phillips.

BETHEL, MARCH 5.

Rev. O. H. Phillips, Dr. I. Knott.

MT. PLEASANT, MARCH 5.

Rev. U. A. Ransom, J. D. Cunningham.

NEW HOPE, MARCH 6.

Rev. Franc. Mitchell, J. L. Cropper, Rev. J. M. Ramsey.

MILLS SCHOOLHOUSE, MARCH 9.

Rev. U. A. Ransom, C. A. Chapman.

ASBURY, MARCH 11.

O. F. Smith, J. D. Cunningham.

SCHRIEBER SCHOOLHOUSE, MAR. 12.

Rev. O. H. Phillips, C. A. Chapman.

COURTHOUSE, KEYTESVILLE, MARCH 6.

Eld. J. M. Ramsey of Bynumville.

SALISBURY, FEB. 29.

W. H. Wallace of Kansas City at 7:30 p. m.

COURTHOUSE, KEYTESVILLE, MARCH 1.

W. H. Wallace at 11 a. m.

BRUNSWICK, MARCH 1.

W. H. Wallace at 7:30 p. m.

Roy W. Rucker, of the law firm of Crawley & Rucker of this place, went to Carrollton Wednesday to take depositions in the suit for accounting brought by Dr. Chas. S. Austin, who is trustee of the estate of his uncle, the late Dr. Pete Austin. Crawley & Rucker represent three of the defendants in the suit.

The Courier's Course Endorsed.

The following letter from a Keytesville lady explains itself: MR. VANDIVER:—I was so glad to see the stand you took in the great prohibition movement because you can say things that "count."

I have noticed for a long time that you possessed a fine characteristic that many editors do not. That is, you never dodge a public issue by "getting on the fence."

While sitting here to-night I wrote out a little piece on our temperance movement in Missouri. Here it is.

MISSOURI'S GOING DRY.

(Tune: Wearing O' the Green.)

Oh! comrades dear, do you hear the news that's going by?
In every town and burg they say "Missouri's going dry."

By justice we will win the day or fight until we fall,
And then we'll have the law "again" the curse of alcohol.

When you meet an honorable citizen, he'll take you by the hand,
And he'll ask you, if you are "wet or dry" and have you took a stand?

Come one and all and join our band and raise your colors high,
We are marching on to victory—Missouri's going dry.

Another county soon will win, for on St. Patrick's day,
Old Chariton will cast a vote that will drive her snakes away.

Both rich and poor, with equal right their honest vote will cast,
Then say with heart-felt gratitude the saloons must go at last.

Then by law we'll stop the curse of drink, as every one shall see,
We will take a stand for temperance, and set our country free.

With honor we will lift our heads and shout the glorious cry,
Ho! comrades in the temperance cause Missouri's going dry.

Death's in Border Counties.

MUSSELFORK, MO., FEB. 18, '08.

MR. C. P. VANDIVER.

Keytesville, Mo.

DEAR SIR:—While reading the COURIER my attention was called to the great number of deaths mentioned by the COURIER in the border county notes, and no death is mentioned in the paper but those found in this department is enumerated in this list I send you. I do not know what per cent the deaths published represent of the deaths that have occurred in the border counties so I concluded I would make a memorandum for one year. This list is made by careful count. I now enclose it to you commencing February 15, 1907, and ending February 14, 1908.

| DATE | DEATHS | DATE | DEATHS |
|---------|--------|-------------|--------|
| Feb. 15 | 47 | Aug. 16 | 19 |
| " 22 | 32 | " 23 | 24 |
| Mar. 1 | 30 | " 30 | 19 |
| " 8 | 24 | Sept. 6 | 18 |
| " 15 | 29 | " 13 | 15 |
| " 22 | 48 | " 20 | 15 |
| " 29 | 43 | " 27 | 24 |
| Apr. 5 | 19 | Oct. 5 | 23 |
| " 12 | 29 | " 11 | 24 |
| " 19 | 24 | " 18 | 19 |
| " 26 | 27 | " 25 | 21 |
| May 3 | 24 | Nov. 1 | 26 |
| " 10 | 16 | " 8 | 21 |
| " 17 | 16 | " 15 | 25 |
| " 24 | 21 | " 22 | 19 |
| " 31 | 39 | " 29 | 32 |
| June 7 | 19 | Dec. 6 | 27 |
| " 14 | 22 | " 13 | 27 |
| " 21 | 36 | " 20 | 39 |
| " 28 | 30 | Jan. 3 | 27 |
| July 5 | 47 | " 10 | 46 |
| " 12 | 18 | " 17 | 25 |
| " 19 | 27 | " 24 | 35 |
| " 26 | 11 | " 31 | 27 |
| Aug. 2 | 13 | Feb. 7 | 24 |
| " 9 | 35 | " 14 | 37 |
| | | Grand Total | 1,336 |

Opposes Open Saloons.

CARROLLTON, MO., Feb. 28, '08.

MR. C. P. VANDIVER,

Keytesville, Mo.

DEAR SIR AND FRIEND:—Enclosed find check for \$3 to advance my subscription to the COURIER for three years.

I am opposed to the open saloon, and think if there were a list of deaths and divorces published that the saloons have caused in Chariton county it would certainly shame every advocate of the open saloon.

Very Truly Yours,

WM. REDDING.

John and Wm. McKee of near Sumner were transacting business at the capital building.

The Criminal Calendar.

When the case of the state against Chris Feitz was called in Justice Alonzo Clark's court at Triplett Thursday of last week Feitz asked for and was granted a change of venue to Justice C. W. Northcott's court at Sumner. Mr. Feitz is charged with obstructing the public highway. It seems that he had a hedge fence, which was above the statutory height, and he was ordered to cut it, but instead of doing so he built a fence on the public highway hoping by so doing to save his hedge and avoid cutting it down to the proper height.

The green-eyed monster, jealousy, caused a physical encounter and hair-pulling match between Joe Ella Nichols and Belle White, two colored lassies in the negro church at Forest Green during a valentine festival the night of February 14. Both were arrested for disturbing the peace, and taken before Justice F. M. Elliott of Chariton township Wednesday of this week where the two female defendants pleaded guilty and were fined \$10, each, and costs. In default of payment the offenders were brought to Keytesville by Constable John Hoersch, turned over to Sheriff S. J. Shaughnessy and lodged in jail to serve out their fines and costs.

W. H. Wampler of near Rothville was committed to jail Saturday on a commitment issued by Justice T. J. L. Hutcheson of Yellow Creek township to await trial at the next May term of circuit court at Keytesville. The defendant is charged, on the oath of his 14-year-old daughter, Jessie Lee Wampler, with feloniously and wilfully and unlawfully committing the crime of incest by forcibly having carnal knowledge and connection with his own daughter, Jessie Lee, on or about the day of January, 1908, against the peace and dignity of the state. When arraigned before Justice Hutcheson Saturday, February 22, the defendant waived examination and his bond was fixed at \$1,000, which he was unable to give, and was sent to jail.

Tickets Required.

On and after Sunday, March 1, 1908, passengers who are not provided with tickets at stations where tickets can be procured will not be admitted to coaches on Wabash passenger trains in Missouri, and such passengers will be required to show tickets before boarding train.

JACOB WOOLLEY, Agent,
Keytesville, Mo.

Marriage Licenses.

Lorenzo A. Schmitt and Miss Ella M. Hart, both of Brunswick. Thos. W. Glascock of Brunswick and Mrs. Kate Burruss of DeWitt.

Sam'l E. Prather and Miss Carrie T. Tillotson, both of Salisbury.

The Tribune tells its readers that Geo. Klee of near Triplett butchered a big hog last week which weighed 675 pounds and the parts when dressed were as follows: Sides, 49 pounds each; hams, 76 pounds each; shoulders, 56 pounds each; lard 168 pounds; sausage, 113 pounds. It was a purebred Poland-China and was raised by A. L. Wood of near Triplett. The Tribune requests that if there is any one who can beat this, please report it to the hog editor of this paper.

Death's Decree

VEATCH:—Miss May Veatch, aged 40 years, the eldest daughter of Chas. Veatch who was at one time deputy county clerk of this county and later postmaster at Keytesville, died of consumption at the home of her father in Kansas City Tuesday night, February 25, 1908. Miss May was well-known here and was a lady of amiable disposition, beloved and admired by all who knew her. She was a cousin of Miss Lucy White and Miss Bessie Crawley and George Crawley and a niece of Mrs. Kate Carmon of this place.

SANDERS:—Sarah Jane Sanders was born January 26, 1844, in Boone county, Ind., and moved to the Salt Creek township farm in Chariton county, Mo., that has been her home since July, 1869. She was married to James M. Sanders March 20, 1865. To this union was born five children, three sons and two daughters, F. M., J. W. and S. N. Sanders and Mrs. Rosa Colley, one daughter having passed away in infancy. Mrs. Sanders was a member of the Christian church at Rothville of which congregation she had been a consistent member for a number of years, having obeyed the gospel under the preaching of Eld. J. N. Wright, who was her pastor at the time. After a brief but painful illness she departed this life at her home Sunday, February 23, 1908. The funeral services were conducted in the Rothville Christian church by the pastor, E. J. Wright, after which our sister was laid to rest in the Rothville cemetery. Mrs. Sanders will be greatly missed by all who knew her. She was a member of the Christian woman's board of missions, an auxiliary to the church, and attended all the meetings of the church as often as possible. Rest in peace, my sister, till we meet you in heaven.

E. J. WRIGHT, Pastor.

The Milk of Human Kindness.

The following letter from Geo. R. Layher, who was at one time the gentlemanly Wabash agent at Keytesville, but is now with the weighing department of the Wabash with his headquarters in St. Louis, shows him to be the same considerate, genial gentleman as of yore and that he has a heart full of the milk of the love of human kindness for his friends in their misfortune.

St. Louis, Feb. 24, 1908.

MY DEAR MR. VANDIVER:—I was sorry to hear of your beautiful home being destroyed by fire, but glad that you and yours escaped without injury. Glad to note that so many of the old-time readers of the dear old COURIER are responding so promptly, not only for the current year, but in many cases in advance for two or more years, and I take great pleasure in enclosing herewith a check for \$3 in payment for the COURIER for two years. With my best wishes for your good health, happiness and prosperity, I beg to remain,

Sincerely,
GEO. R. LAYHER.

Notice.

Voters, please notice your ballot does not say: "For Local Option" nor "Against Local Option," but "For the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors" and "Against the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors." Be sure and mark out the words: "For the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors."

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DEAR COURIER:—The things I foreshadowed some time ago have come to pass in the Second congressional district, as they did in the First district of Missouri and I am surer than ever that all the postmasters, whether presidential or fourth-class, will succeed freely in either saving themselves or placing within the sacred precincts of a good fat office a son or a son-in-law.

Since I wrote my last, Taft, a full-fledged candidate for president, has visited Missouri, and raised such a hullabaloo in Kansas City and St. Louis that I fail to remember anything in history parallel to the "milling around" (as a Kansan expressed himself) then and there done by the federal officers in the state of Missouri and Kansas, save the awful calamity at Moscow when the new czar was crowned, and when thousands of people were trampled down, overrun in a deep ravine and died there because they were over anxious to get to the first table at the feast, and the only reason I can see why these fellows did not fill some deep ravine at Kansas City and now have their names on the dead list, is that everyone of them is now full upon pie and was prowling around to see that a cub son or son-in-law got his feed at the federal pie-counter.

I can clearly see where the troubles with these small fellows. Most of them are suffering with a disease which was extremely rare with them when Cleveland was president. In addition to their egotism they have another disease, and, being versed in medical lore, I have had to invent a new name and here goes for a new word in the dictionary. I call it "Ido" to which if you add a few more letters you have "IDOLATRY."

Now understand I hold Taft blameless and innocent in all this because he stands to lose, for he had not been in St. Louis 10 minutes until office-holders had the polish and even the leather polished off his feet, he bought a new pair of shoes before he went to Kansas City, but when he got there his St. Louis shoes did not last five minutes, and the Kansas City fellows even wore out his soles. So the invention of the word "Ido" means idol worship. And this idol worship, if of a stuffed prophet, makes the crime of the first degree.

Flies around an open molasses barrel, maggots in a dead carcass, will no more than fitly describe everybody outside of Taft in these jamborees.

Oh, why don't everybody keep their religion and politics within bounds of decency and reason? F. M. LEWIS.